

ACCESSING FUNDS AT THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD



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Water Bond Subaccounts Administered by the SWRCB

Division of Water Quality

– Southern California Watershed (SAWPA)	\$235 million
– NPS*	\$100 million
– Coastal NPS*	\$90 million
– Watershed*	\$90 million
– Lake Elsinore	\$15 million
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Total	\$530 million

*Note: 60/40 split for Southern California counties

Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program (Chapter 7, Article 2)

- Contact: Mr. Ken Harris (916/657-0876)
- Amount:
 - NPS Program -- \$100 million
 - FY 2000-01 Appropriation = \$10 million
- Program Description:
 - Provides grants to municipalities, local public agencies, and nonprofit organizations for nonpoint source projects
 - Provides maximum funding of \$5 million for each project

Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program (continued)

- Eligible Projects:
 - Projects consistent with local watershed management Plans.
 - Projects that implement management measures and practices identified in the SWRCB's NPS Plan.
 - Projects consistent with the “Integrated plan for Implementation of the Watershed Management Initiative”.

Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program (continued)

- Historical Implementation:
 - Implemented a similar program under the Delta Tributary Watershed Program of Proposition 204 and Federal Clean Water Act section 319 projects
- Tentative Schedule Tasks
 - A limited scope, \$10 million Request for Proposals (RFP) will be released in the Fall of 2000 to fund NPS projects beginning in State FY 2000-01.
 - A stakeholder advisory group will be convened and a scoping meeting will be held to assist SWRCB in preparing a broad Request for Proposals (RFP) for release in early 2001.

Watershed Protection Program (Chapter 6, Article 2)

- Contact: Mr. Bill Campbell (916/657-1043) or Mr. Ken Harris (916/657-0876)
- Amount:
 - Watershed Program--\$90,000,000
 - FY 2000-01 Appropriation = \$20 million
- Program Description:
 - Grants to municipalities, local agencies, or nonprofit organizations to develop local watershed management plans and/or implement projects consistent with watershed plans

Watershed Protection Program (continued)

- Eligible Activities:
 - Develop Watershed Plans
 - Reduce chronic flooding problems.
 - Protect and Enhance greenbelts, and riparian and wetland habitat.
 - Restore or improve habitat for aquatic or terrestrial species.
 - Monitor the water quality conditions and assess the environmental health of the watershed.

Watershed Protection Program (continued)

- Eligible Activities (Continued):
 - GIS to display and manage environmental data describing a watershed.
 - Prevent soil erosion and sedimentation.
 - Support beneficial groundwater recharge capabilities.
 - Reduce the discharges of pollutants to State waters from storm water or nonpoint sources.

Watershed Protection Program (continued)

- Tentative Schedule Tasks/Timetable:
 - Designated set aside projects for Pajaro River (\$2 million), Russian River (\$1 million), Clover Creek (\$5 million), and Clear Lake (\$2 million) will be funded and contracts executed in State Fiscal Year (FY) 2000-01, July through June
 - A limited scope, \$10 million Request for Proposals (RFP) will be released in the Fall of 2000 to fund watershed plan development projects beginning in State FY 2000-01.
 - A stakeholder advisory group will be convened and a scoping meeting will be held to assist SWRCB in preparation of a broad RFP for release in early 2001.

Water Bond Subaccounts Administered by the SWRCB

Division of Clean Water Programs

– Water Recycling Financial Assistance	\$105.9 million*
– Clean Water State Revolving Fund	\$23.5 million
– Sea Water Intrusion	\$35 million*
– Small Communities Grant Program	\$34 million
– Wastewater Construction Grants	\$35.5 million

Total	\$233.9 million
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* Includes monies transferred from the 1996 bond and
repayment accounts.

Water Recycling Financial Assistance Program (Chapter 7, Article 4)

- Contact: Ms. Sandy Houck (916/227-4564)
- Amount:
 - Grants for facilities - \$53.2 million
 - Loans for facilities and grants for planning - \$49.5 million
 - Funds for Research and studies - \$3.2 millions
- Program Description:
 - Provides low-interest loans and grants to local agencies to construct water recycling facilities
 - Provides grants up to \$75,000 to local agencies for planning of water recycling facilities, and
 - Provides funds for research

Water Recycling Financial Assistance Program (continued)

- Tasks and Timetable:
 - Program is ongoing.
 - Staff continues to work with potential applicants to expedite approvals.
 - Propositions 13 added two new features to the program -- grants for construction of facilities and grants for research and studies.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program

- **Contact:** Mr. Eric Torguson (916/227-4449)
- **Amount:** The Bond Act authorizes \$23.5 million for low-interest loans. The bond funds are used to provide a 20% match to annual federal appropriations. Typically there are approximately \$150-200 million available annually.
- **Program Description:**
 - Provides low-interest loans for construction of publicly-owned wastewater and reclamation facilities, implementation of nonpoint source and stormwater pollution control activities, and for estuary enhancement activities.
 - Loans are available for municipalities, nonprofit organizations, and private parties.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program

- Eligible Project Categories:
 - Point Source (must be publicly owned):
 - Wastewater Treatment Facilities
 - Stormwater Treatment
 - CAFOs
 - Estuary Enhancement
 - Estuary of National Significance:
 - Santa Monica Bay
 - Morro Bay
 - San Francisco Bay

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program

- Eligible Project Categories (Continued):
 - Nonpoint Source:
 - Agricultural
 - Forestry (Silviculture)
 - Urban
 - Marinas and Recreational Boating
 - Hydromodification
 - Wetlands, Riparian Areas
 - Vegetated Treatment Systems
 - Abandoned Mines

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program

- Schedule Tasks/Timetable:
 - Existing FY 2000-01 Project Priority List was adopted in June.
 - Future FY Project Priority Lists:
 - January--SWRCB requests update from RWQCBs.
 - January-May--RWQCBs update regional lists and submit to SWRCB.
 - June--SWRCB adopts list for upcoming FY.
 - Eligible projects funded on first come first served basis.

Small Communities Grant (SCG) Program

- Contact: Mr. Eric Torguson (916/227-4449)
- Amount: The Bond Act authorizes \$34 million for grant assistance.
- Program Description:
 - Provides assistance for grants to construct publicly-owned wastewater treatment facilities in communities with less than 10,000 people
 - Maximum grant assistance is limited to \$3.5 million per project, or 97.5 percent of the eligible project cost, whichever is less.

Small Communities Grant (SCG) Program (continued)

- Tentative Schedule Tasks/Timetable:
 - Notify communities of the opportunity to be placed on the SCG Priority List -- April 26, 2000
 - Adopt SCG eligible project's Priority List including projects with eligible population up to 10,000 -- August 17, 2000
 - Begin issuing grants -- September 1, 2000

Other Funding Programs

- Agricultural Drainage Management Loan Program
- CWA Section 319 Grants Program
- CWA Section 205 (j) Grants Program

Agricultural Drainage Management Loan Program

- Contact: Mr. Paul Roggensack (916/657-0673)
- Amount:
 - Approximately \$18.5 million remains in account
- Program Description:
 - Provides loans to municipalities and local public agencies for agricultural drainage projects
 - Provides maximum funding of \$5 million for each project

Agricultural Drainage Mgmt. Loan Program (Continued)

- Eligible Projects:
 - Land and facilities for the treatment, storage, conveyance, reduction, or disposal of agricultural drainage water which, if discharged untreated, would pollute or threaten to pollute the waters of the state.
- Historical Implementation:
 - Ongoing Program
- Schedule Tasks/Timetable:
 - Call Mr. Roggensack for information.

CWA Section 319 Grants

Nonpoint Source Pollution Control

- Contact: Mr. Ken Harris (916/657-0876)
- Amount:
 - NPS Program -- Approximately \$5 million annually
- Program Description:
 - Provides grants to municipalities, local public agencies, and nonprofit organizations for nonpoint source projects
 - Provides maximum funding of \$350,000 for each project

CWA Section 319 Grants NPS Source Pollution Control (continued)

- Eligible Projects:
 - Projects consistent with local watershed management Plans.
 - Projects that implement management measures and practices identified in the SWRCB's NPS Plan.
 - Projects consistent with the “Integrated plan for Implementation of the Watershed Management Initiative”.

CWA Section 319 Grants NPS

Source Pollution Control (continued)

- Historical Implementation:
 - Ongoing Program
- Schedule Tasks/Timetable:
 - Project Selection for FY 2000-01 Grant is in process.
 - Selection Process (16 Months):
 - March--SWRCB circulates Request for proposals.
 - June--Proposals due to SWRCB.
 - November--SWRCB adopts list for upcoming FY.
 - July--Contract execution.

CWA Section 205 (j) Grants

Water Quality Planning

- Contact: Mr. Paul Lillebo (916/657-1031)
- Amount:
 - NPS Program -- Approximately \$600,000 annually
- Program Description:
 - Provides grants to local public agencies, and special districts.
 - Provides maximum funding of \$125,000 for each project.

CWA Section 205 (j) Grants

Water Quality Planning (continued)

- Eligible Projects:

Funds available for water quality planning and assessment activities

- TMDL development
- Watershed plans.

- Historical Implementation:

- Ongoing Program

CWA Section 205 (j) Grants

Water Quality Planning (continued)

- Schedule Tasks/Timetable:
 - Project Selection for FY 2000-01 Grant is in process.
 - Selection Process (16 Months):
 - March--SWRCB circulates Request for proposals.
 - June--Proposals due to SWRCB.
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